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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application

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For: System Having A Rotating Optical System And A Non-Planar Prism
That Are Used To Obtain Print And Other Hand Characteristic
Information

Inventors: McClurg et al.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form;
- 2. Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36(a);
- 3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111; and
- 4. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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